



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

CR-101 (June 2004)
(Implements RCW 34.05.310)
Do NOT use for expedited rule making

Agency: Agriculture

Subject of possible rule making: Chapter 16-108 WAC Washington State Egg Seals and Assessments

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: Chapter 69.25 RCW Washington Wholesome Eggs and Egg Products Act

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: The purpose of this rule change is to make adjustments to the assessment fee charged to egg handlers and dealers so that an adequate fund balance can be maintained. To achieve this the department is considering either a long-term or a short-term reduction or suspension of the egg assessment. This change has been recommended by industry.

Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies:
None

Process for developing new rule (check all that apply):

- ☐ Negotiated rule making
☐ Pilot rule making
☐ Agency study
☒ Other (describe) The agency is developing the proposal in coordination with stakeholders.

How interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication:

(List names, addresses, telephone, fax numbers, and e-mail of persons to contact; describe meetings, other exchanges of information, etc.)

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